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REDACTED/ARCASOYARY
Contact with ARCASOYARY

Reference: URM-3488, 18 January 1967

1. The reference has not been answered to date because the time needed to consider the larger question raised in the reference, i.e. the question of closer FI/CI exploitation of the ARCASOYARY project. As you know this matter has threaded its way through the operations of the project from the beginning. Various systematic attempts have been made to harness the project to the FI/CI world with various results. Although we couple CI and FI above, we are aware that our direct interest here is FI.
2. The target mentioned in the reference has recently taken a very negative attitude toward the ARCASOYARY world with the result that he is persona non grata. He might come back into ARCASOYARY land, most of his countrymen and colleagues do; but he probably will be regarded with the suspicions reserved for those who have defiled the national image. While this target remains of interest, he probably is not the best one to hit through the ARCASOYARY mechanism at this time.
3. That the reference target is not immediately within the ARCASOYARY sights does not eliminate that organization from further consideration as an FI mechanism. It has continuing contact with its target audience in New York, both those permanently there and those who visit in official capacity. Some of these contacts are continuing and interesting. Our review of these contacts leads us to recommend that you consider opening a regular channel to ARCASOYARY for exploitation of leads.
4. The above recommendation is made with the full realization it may be impossible to implement. From our view here, the potential rewards appear to be rich enough to justify considerations of the recommendation.

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both ARKASOVICH and LUNGO, [] clearly feels self-sufficient and bound to none. Much of [] energy is directed toward reestablishment of the Catholic church in the USSR. According to reports [] continually keeps the Soviets off balance by very probing remarks and needles them in other ways. When LUNGO was making unhappy noises about his status and, at the same time, many derogatory remarks about Soviets, [] alleges making LUNGO's why he did not follow Sovietism's example. On another occasion, [] was with two views of locally based officials. When they made some remark about LUNGO, [] quickly admitted telling all to LUNGO because that's the American way.

11. The activities of [] constitute the kind of action ARKASOVICH can generate. Although [] quite likely has personality defects which would give us pause before thinking of recruitment, [] has one particular quality attractive to the Soviets. [] is educated and not bound to any faction. [] is respected by most ARKASOVICH oriented persons and can arrange meetings with local residents which the current Soviet policy toward such as [] made very much. In short, [] can deliver the audience the Soviets want. They can easily put up with []'s personal habits, regarding to LUNGO and the rest. On this basis it would appear that contact between [] and the Soviets will continue so long as [] conduct does not become intolerable and/or so long as the Soviet policy toward the emigre world is one of bridge building. It is an open game, and any number can play.

12. We think you will agree the one example cited above shows that ARKASOVICH activities in New York have some pertinence to your mission. There are other examples of a less spectacular nature and perhaps still others lying dormant in the area. We think you will also agree that the present reporting procedures are not as precise as they could be for keeping all hands informed who need to be informed of ARKASOVICH activities. We follow with recommendations aimed at making the FI and CI exploitation of ARKASOVICH more precise without inhibiting the CI activities of the project.

a. Within the improved relationship with LUNGO, [] could outline the problems per the above, and suggest that [] will assign a man to have steady contact with ARKASOVICH-29 for immediate exploitation of contacts the project has with Soviets in New York. This would be a local arrangement which would have the objective of keeping tabs on the ARKASOVICH's at our central point as a source of common concern.

b. If [] cannot spare anyone for the task of keeping in touch with the ARKASOVICH's, Headquarters will forward to you all pertinent information we receive so that you can keep the local LUNGO appropriately advised.

13. The above is presented to you as an emigre proposal which might grow to some thing if we discussed it more. Please let us know what your reactions are to establishing a channel to the ARKASOVICH project in New York. In your planning, you should consider a year's trial period. You must also be prepared to keep up the contact and not let a month go by without seeing ARKASOVICH-29. It would be imperative to keep Headquarters fully and promptly informed of your discussions with ARKASOVICH-29, and to coordinate in advance any substantial operational instructions you would give him. Let us have an exchange or two of views before you contact ARKASOVICH-29. At the present writing the project believes the New York contact is terminated. Thus, if we mutually decide to revive the contact, we will have to arrange for this through the appropriate BUREAU element.

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